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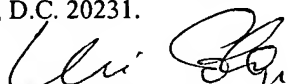
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Sir:

Preliminary Amendment;
Statement of Status and Support for Changes to the Claims; and
Notice of Prior Proceedings under 37 C.F.R. 1.178(b)

Preliminary Amendment

IN THE CLAIMS:

Amend Claim 1 as follows:

1. (Amended) A method of manufacturing a thin film magnetic head upon a substrate comprising [the] steps of:

depositing a magnetic bottom pole layer upon the substrate, said magnetic bottom pole layer comprising a magnetic bottom pole tip;

depositing a gap material layer upon at least the magnetic bottom pole tip of the magnetic bottom pole layer;